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SUBJECT: QUITO MEETING: TEXT OF LETTER TO MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

1. EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE SOONEST TO EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER MOE FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

WHILE I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU, TOO, WILL NOT BE ATTENDING THE FORTHCOMING OAS MEETING IN QUITO, I ESPECIALLY WANTED YOU TO KNOW THE REASONS I WILL NOT BE PRESENT.

UNFORTUNATELY, THE MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS HAVE MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO ATTEND ON THE DATES ULTIMATELY FIXED FOR THE SESSIONS IN ECUADOR. AT THE SAME TIME, IT WAS NOT FEASIBLE UNTIL NOW TO MAKE KNOWN THAT I WOULD BE TRAVELING IN THE MIDDLE EAST. YOU CAN READILY UNDERSTAND HOW SENSITIVE THE TALKS ARE INVOLVING
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THE AREA, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THOSE TALKS TO WORLD

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PEACE.

BECAUSE OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, I HAVE ASKED MY DEPUTY AND CLOSE COLLEAGUE, BOB INGERSOLL, TO REPRESENT ME AT THE QUITO MEETING, ALONG WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY WILLIAM ROGERS AND OAS AMBASSADOR BILL MAILLIARD. I HAVE THE FULLEST CONFIDENCE IN THEM. THEY WILL, OF COURSE, BE FULLY PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE TALKS, AND I SHALL EXPECT FROM THEM A FULL REPORT OF THEIR DISCUSSIONS WHEN THEY RETURN.

I PERSONALLY WILL BE FOLLOWING THE DEVELOPMENTS AT THE QUITO MEETING CLOSELY. MY GOVERNMENT AND I ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE PROCEEDINGS AND TO THE FINAL RESULT. BEST WISHES. HENRY A. KISSINGER.

END TEXT.
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